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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

- (1) Japan 61-227486
- (2) Japan 9-37167
- (3) Japan 11-275462
- (4) Japan 2001-223968
- (5) Europe 0 944 254
- (6) U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0051160

Copies of documents (1) to (5) are enclosed. Pursuant to 1276 O.G. 55, a copy of document (6) is not enclosed.

English language abstracts for each of documents (1) through (4) have been located and are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for each of the non-English language documents is believed to be satisfied by the enclosed English language abstracts. See MPEP § 609.

In addition, the patent family of document (3) includes document (5), and the patent family of document (4) includes document (6).

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

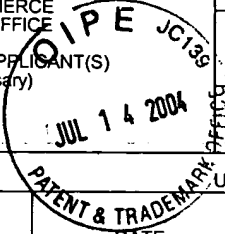
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Respectfully submitted,

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